



# MIDWEST REGION DISTRIBUTOR REPORT

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## CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 28-MAR-2005

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	61-77	67-70	69.78	27

## GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

### WEDNESDAY

74.00

### FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

73.89

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

## ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 26-Mar-05

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	153,640	162,655

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	178.00	1,088
BREASTS - B/S	157.00	5,541
BREASTS - WHOLE	86.50	1,353
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.50	766
LEG QUARTERS	32.00	6,874
WINGS	103.50	2,828

**MIDWEST** Preliminary majority prices for next week's delivery into the Chicago area were unchanged. Whole fryer market tone was steady to fully steady on light offers and trade interest. Demand was very light into retail; light to moderate into food service and best into restaurants for holiday gatherings. Floor stocks were in a full range, weights mostly desirable. Trade interest on parts was generally inactive as a many buyers and sellers remain absence from business for holiday and spring breaks. Supplies were in balanced, other than wings which were plentiful. The market tone was steady to firm on dark meat items, barely steady on wings and steady on the balance.

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **WEEK ENDING MARCH 25, 2005**

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO		CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>			
EASTERN REGION	67.75	64.60**	61.00	EASTERN REGION	65.75	63.10**	59.00
CENTRAL REGION	64.00**	64.40**	63.00**	CENTRAL REGION	63.00**	62.60**	61.00**
WESTERN REGION	66.00	64.80**	66.00	WESTERN REGION	64.00	62.80**	61.00**

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

## LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 19-Mar-2005 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS
Head	157,335
Avg Wt	5.20
Last week	157,630
Same wk yr ago	153,006
Avg Wt	5.15
To-date/2005	1,726,029
To-date/2004	1,689,638

## LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

	YOUNG HENS THOUSANDS	YOUNG TOMS
Head	1,582	2,517
Avg Wt	16.12	38.18
Last week	1,551	2,477
Same wk yr ago	1,701	2,449
Avg Wt	15.71	36.35
To-date/2005	16,832	27,537
To-date/2004	18,544	27,029

## FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	122.00 - 124.00	123.33
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	157.00	157.00
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy		
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT	142.00	142.00

## FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	585.15 620.00	607.51
168 3 Round, top inside round	176.17 182.00	180.11
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	540.65 585.00	568.21
Ground Beef 81%	137.65 153.00	142.63

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